History of Service
- Incorporated in 1946
- Owned by 34,938 members
- Service to more than 44,843 meters in Fairbanks, Delta Junction, Nenana, Healy and Cantwell
- Average of 14 consumers per mile of line
- 267 full-time employees

History of Service
- 3,261 miles of power lines
- 35 substations, including mobile
- 9 generating facilities
- 381.5 megawatts of capacity
- 5,973 square mile service territory

Commitment to Reliability
- Reliability of 99% during 2018.
- The BESS responded to 59 events in 2018, preventing approximately 309,009 member outages. This equates to an average of 6.7 prevented outages per meter outages.

Commitment to Renewables
- 256 members are SNAP producers
- 2018 had an increase of 92 participants
- 94% capacity from solar energy
- 768,726 kWh produced Apr 2018 to Mar 2019

Commitment to Community
- 66% of GVEA members participate in the Goodcents roundup program
- Goodcents grants awarded since 2011 totals $909,996

Board Members
District 1: David Messier
District 2: Tom DeLong, Vice Chairman
District 3: Rick Schikora, Chairman
District 4: Gary Newman
District 5: Chris Bunch
District 6: John Sloan, Secretary
District 7: Bill Nordmark, Treasurer

Our Mission: Recognizing GVEA’s importance to the economic, environmental and social viability of our communities, the Cooperative’s mission is to safely provide its member-owners with reliable electric service, quality customer service and innovative energy solutions at fair and reasonable prices.

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Incorporated in 1946, Golden Valley Electric Association took shape when a small group of Alaskans became interested in bringing electric service to the Interior’s more rural areas. These pioneers applied to the Rural Electrification Administration, which granted a loan to form a not-for-profit rural electric cooperative.

Annual kilowatt-hour sales in 2018 were 1.20 billion. The average residential member consumed 600 kWh per month.

Peak load in 2018 was 194.6 megawatts set at 6:00 pm on January 28 (temperature was -20°F). The system peak of 223 MW was set in Dec. 2007.

GVEA operates and maintains 3,261 miles of transmission and distribution lines and 35 substations. The system is interconnected with Fort Wainwright, Eielson AFB, Fort Greely, the University of Alaska-Fairbanks and all electric utilities in the Alaska Railbelt, which extends from Homer to Fairbanks.

Energized in October 2003, the 97-mile, 230-kilovolt Northern Intertie helps GVEA maintain reliability. Also, GVEA is the northern control point for the Fairbanks/Anchorage Intertie, which serves most Railbelt communities. Both interties allow GVEA to augment its 381 MW generation capacity with an additional 70 MW from the Anchorage area.

GVEA supports renewable power. SNAP, GVEA’s renewable energy program, was launched in 2005. In 2010, SNAP Plus became GVEA’s net metering program. Currently, a total of 256 renewable energy producers participate in the SNAP program, of which 94 percent of capacity comes from solar.

One of the world’s most powerful energy storage system in terms of megawatt output belongs to GVEA. The Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), came online in November 2003. It can provide 27 megawatts of electricity for 15 minutes or up to 40 MW for less time.

GVEA’s HomeSense Audit program helps residential members save energy (and money) by assessing the energy usage and electrical efficiency of their home. For more information, visit: www.gvea.com/save.

Goodcents kicked off in March of 2011. Nearly 70 percent of the co-op membership contributes monthly to the bill roundup program. A separate board of trustees reviews applications and awards grants to organizations in need. Since 2011, a total of $909,996 in Goodcents grants have been awarded. For a complete list of Goodcents recipients or to access an application, visit: www.gvea.com/goodcents.